FISCAL NOTE

HB 3119 - SB 3242

February 5, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the county election commissions from printing the social security number of a voter on the registration card sent to the voter. Requires the replacement, within one year, of registration cards that have been previously sent that contain the social security number. Increases the maximum number of registered voters in a precinct from 5,000 to 6,000 and limits the number of registered voters per voting machine to 800.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Expenditures* - \$364,300/One-Time

Assumptions:

- One-time increase in local expenditures to replace voter registration cards which currently contain the social security number of the voter.
- According to the Coordinator of Elections, there are 1,103,878 affected voters statewide who have registration cards which will require replacement within the one year timeframe.
- The cost of printing and mailing new registration cards is estimated to be approximately \$.33 per voter, totaling \$364,279.74. (1,103,878 voters x \$.33 per voter).
- Currently, all counties in Tennessee meet the 800 voters per machine maximum.
- Increasing the maximum number of registered voters allowed in any precinct is estimated to be not significant on local governments.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director